

## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

Clerk, U.S. Distance Court District Of Montana Helena

## FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA

## **BUTTE DIVISION**

JAY McCLOSKEY AND AMY LYNN ("LYNN") McCLOSKEY,

Plaintiffs.

No. CV 18-46-BU-SEH

VS.

**ORDER** 

MONTANA TECH OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA, DONALD M. BLACKKETTER, and BEVERLY HARTLINE, AND JOHN & JANE DOES 1 through 5,

Defendants.

Plaintiffs' Complaint and Demand for Jury Trial was filed in the Montana Second Judicial District Court, Silver Bow County, on July 3, 2017. Defendants removed on July 19, 2018, invoking this Court's federal question jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1331.<sup>2</sup>

Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(h)(3) requires dismissal "[i]f the Court determines at any

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Doc. 6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Doc. 1 at ¶¶ 3–5.

time that it lacks subject-matter jurisdiction." Review of the record<sup>3</sup> discloses substantial issues as presented as to whether federal question subject-matter jurisdiction has been well-pleaded.

## ORDERED:

Each of the parties shall have to and including October 25, 2019, to file a brief directed to whether federal question subject matter jurisdiction has, by applicable law, been adequately well-pleaded to invoke this Court's subject matter jurisdiction. Response briefs shall be due on or before November 1, 2019.

Optional reply briefs shall be due on or before November 8, 2019.

DATED this /8 day of October, 2019.

AM E. HADDON

United States District Judge

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Docs. 1, 3, and 6.